



STATE OF HAWAII  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

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COMMENTS ON SENATE BILL 312  
RELATING TO  
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SHERIFF DIVISION ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS TO  
PROVIDE SECURITY AT PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS  
OPERATED BY THE PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

By

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Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair  
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

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State Capitol, Room 211

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports the intent** of Senate Bill 312, which would allow the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to pursue arrangements or enter into agreements with PSD to provide aid and cooperation for the security of the residents, staff, buildings, and lands of the Authority. Senate Bill 312 would also allow the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to reimburse the Department for all costs incurred by PSD for employment of additional personnel, procurement of goods, equipment, furniture, and supplies utilized by PSD to provide the requested services.

Presently, PSD does not have the infrastructure or personnel to provide the additional services requested by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority; however, the proposed amendments to Section 356D-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes would give the Hawaii Public Housing Authority the ability to reimburse the cost of additional Deputy

Sheriff positions and required equipment to provide the services requested by Senate Bill 312.

PSD estimates that it would require, at a minimum, three additional patrol units (however this number would increase depending on the number of public housing facilities patrolled) consisting of 6 additional deputies, equipment and two vehicles to increase its patrol capabilities for this project.

Deputy Sheriff II, BU03, \$44,412.00 X6 \$266,472.00

Annual Weapon Allowance \$420.00 X6 \$2,520.00

Standard Equipment for a new Deputy Sheriff \$5,736.00 X6 \$34,416.00

Marked Patrol Vehicle \$40,000.00 X3 \$120,000.00

Total estimated cost for two teams \$423,408.00

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.